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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 23 May 1980

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Mr. Carlucci chaired the meeting. []

Lehman reminded attendees he had advised about a year ago that, if the government of South Korea loses control, chances are better than even that North Korea will intervene. Regarding the current situation, however, Lehman said there are no signs of anything untoward underway in North Korea but noted we are remaining alert to the situation. []

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McMahon called attention to Agee's recent edition of the Covert Action Information Bulletin and urged that we "keep the heat on" re Identities Legislation. In a brief discussion which followed, Mr. Carlucci asked [] to look into the potential value of providing a damage assessment re the Bulletin to certain Congressional Committee members, e.g., Senators Chafee, Jackson, and Moynihan; he added that we should be ready to take advantage of any opportunity in this regard. [] (Action: OLC)

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Referring to McMahon's earlier press for Identities Legislation, Silver said he has little hope for Congressional accomplishment this year. He expressed doubt that damage assessments, for example, would be persuasive with Congressional Committees, and he suggested that some members of Congress would likely point to CIA and State as having inadequate control over the potential for leaks within their own organizations. In this regard, Silver said he is already considering ways to see if we can find any leaks in-house. []

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Wortman said an Employee Bulletin is being circulated announcing the Director will meet Agency employees in grades GS-10 to GS-13 in the auditorium at noon on 30 May. The purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for these employees to ask questions about issues and Agency matters of concern to them. [REDACTED]

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Wortman said Headquarters will be without chilled water for about 10 hours on Saturday, 14 June, during system repair. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] said he has not yet seen the OMB letter to Congressional Committees regarding the budget amendment. [REDACTED]

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